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COUNTRY East GermanyREPORT NO. TOPIC Dresden-Klotzsche Air field

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REMARKS

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1. Between 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. on 25 February 1954, a Po-2 made individual flights at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield. Between 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. on 4 March, there was night flying by 3 Po-2s. Between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. on 6 March, 2 Po-2s were observed aloft. Between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on 10 March, a Yak-11 was observed aloft over the northern edge of Dresden. During that time, a radio truck was observed at the field.
2. The following air activity was observed at the field between 1 and 17 March:
 - 1 March. Between 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m., 3 Po-2s circled over the field.
 - 2 March. Between 5:40 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., there was local flying along the usual pattern.
 - 4 March. Flights were made by Po-2s after nightfall.
 - 6 March. After 11:30 a.m., short cross-country flights were made by Po-2s.
 - 9 March. Local flying was practiced by Po-2s from 5:45 p.m. until after 10 p.m.
 - 10 March. No flights were made by Po-2s.
 - 11 March. There was local flying at night.
 - 12 to 17 March. No air activity was observed at the field.¹
3. On 5 March, 10 trucks of the air force driving school, loaded with sand, were observed moving from the Heller into the Luftkriegsschule (officer candidate school). On 9 March, 7 trucks of the driving school were observed. On 15 March, a column of 23 trucks was observed en route. From the method of driving, source inferred that a new training course had started. The trainees had close cropped hair and did not wear motor transport insignia.

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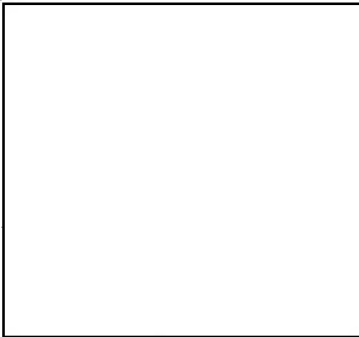
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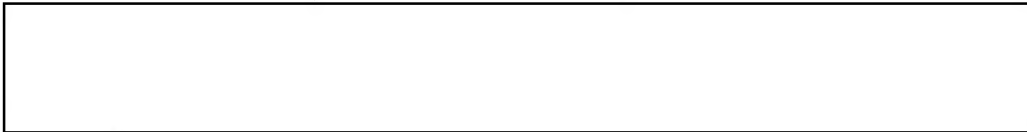
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Comment: Dresden-Klotzsche airfield which is about 1,000 meters square and is not provided with a hard-surface runway or taxiway, is still occupied by 3 Po-2s. These aircraft are believed to be a courier and liaison squadron of the headquarters of the First Gds Mech Army. The flying personnel at the airfield continually carry out practice flights during daytime and at night. They are quartered in the building of the former German Lufthansa on the southern edge of the field.



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